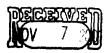
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VIA FACSIMILE

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Extension to Comment Period for Proposed NPL Listing of Sauget Area 2

Dear Mr. Evans:

Re:

I am writing further to my telephone conversations with Ms. Marty Otto and Ms. Yolanda Singer of your office concerning the extension granted by the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), under cover of your letter dated October 29, 2001, of the comment period for the proposed listing of Sauget Areas 1 and 2 on the National Priorities List ("NPL"). Your letter was in response to a letter from Linda Tape of Thompson Coburn LLP, which referred to the filing of comments by Solutia, Inc. ("Solutia"), on both Sauget Area 1 and Sauget Area 2.

As we have discussed, there are other parties who have been participating in certain group activities concerning the Sauget Area 2 site, who had intended to join in comments with Solutia, and who had not made their own requests for listing documents because they were relying on Solutia's document requests. These parties did not wish to burden EPA with duplicative document requests because Solutia had previously agreed to share the documents it obtained with its other group members.

For this reason, the other group members ask that the comment period be extended with regard to them as well as Solutia. The other parties who are group members and who seek an extension to enable them to join in Solutia's comments are Cyprus AMAX Minerals Company, Ethyl Corporation and Chemical Waste Management Inc.

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If you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact me at any time. Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Laurera & Kirock/all

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